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Forty-fourth Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable John C. Revens, Jr., President Pro Tempore of the Senate, at 4:06 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 31 Senators present and 5 Senators absent as follows:

**PRESENT** – 31: Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

**ABSENT** – 5: Senator Bates, Damiani, DaPonte, Polisena and Montalbano.

#### **INVOCATION**

The Honorable President Pro Tempore, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Badeau, to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Honorable President Pro Tempore, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Badeau, to lead the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

#### APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of Thursday, May 13, 2004 proceedings is read in part.

Upon suggestion of Senator Badeau, and by unanimous consent, further reading of the Journal is dispensed with and the Journal approved as recorded.

## **COMMUNICATION**

The Honorable President Pro Tempore presents the following communication:

May 17, 2004

Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano President of the Senate 318 State House Providence, RI 02903

Dear Mr. President:

Please be advised that due to a previous commitment, I will be absent from the Senate session on Tuesday, May 18, 2004. I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
David E. Bates
DEPUTY MINORITY LEADER

Also:

May 17, 2004

The Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano President of the Senate 317 State House Providence, RI 02903

Dear Mr. President:

Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the chamber on Tuesday, May 18, Wednesday, May 19, and Thursday, May 20, as I will be traveling out of state.

I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.

Thanks you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely, Senator Daniel DaPonte

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Senator Caprio, from the Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

#### House Bill No. 8495

BY Brien T, Laroche, Picard

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WOONSOCKET TO FINANCE THE CLOSURE OF THE DAVISON AVENUE LANDFILL AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC RECREATIONAL FACILITIES THEREON BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$5,000,000 BONDS AND/OR NOTES THEREFOR.

Senator Badeau requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Badeau moves passage, seconded by Senator Cote.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 28 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 28: Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Senator Caprio, from the Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

## Senate Bill No. 2527

BY Senators Connors, Montalbano J

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS IN THE TOWN OF LINCOLN

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

## Senate Bill No. 2990

BY Senators Parella, Felag, Bates

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

#### Senate Bill No. 2991

BY Senators Parella, Bates, Felag

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT EXEMPTING FROM TAXATION AND AUTHORIZING THE HERRESHOFF MARINE MUSEUM TO INCREASE ITS HOLDINGS FROM AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,600,000) TO AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING FOUR MILLION SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,600,000)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

#### Senate Bill No. 3030

**BY** Senator Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

#### Senate Bill No. 3031

**BY** Senators Revens, Walaska, McCaffrey, Roberts, Lenihan **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

## Senate Bill No. 3043

**BY** Senators Connors, Montalbano J **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS - DOGS

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

## Senate Bill No. 3059

**BY** Senators Revens, Walaska, McCaffrey, Roberts, Lenihan **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAX CREDIT IN THE CITY OF WARWICK

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

#### Senate Bill No. 3060

**BY** Senators Fogarty P, Tassoni, Felag, Goodwin, Gallo **ENTITLED**, AN ACT EXEMPTING FROM TAXATION PROPERTY OF HARMONY HILL SCHOOL, INC. TO AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING TEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$10,000,000)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

#### Senate Bill No. 3065

BY Senators Sheehan, Revens

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT NAMING THE LONG TERM CARE PROGRAM, AND ASSOCIATED HOSPITAL WARDS, LOCATED AT THE R.I. INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH AFTER DR. ANDO SUVARI

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

#### Senate Bill No. 3071

**BY** Senator Issa

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CENTRAL FALLS TO ISSUE BONDS AND NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000,000 FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO VARIOUS CITY BUILDINGS IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH THE RECENTLY REVISED STATE MANDATED BUILDING CODE REGULATIONS

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

#### Senate Bill No. 3083

BY Senator Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE BLOCK ISLAND HOUSING BOARD

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

## Senate Bill No. 3084

**BY** Senator Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CITIES AND TOWNS - WARREN

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

## **COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

Senator McCaffrey, from the Committee on Judiciary, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

#### Senate Bill No. 2032 SUB A

**BY** Senator Blais

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Tuesday May 25, 2004.

Also:

#### Senate Bill No. 2051

**BY** Senator Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Tuesday May 25, 2004.

Also:

#### Senate Bill No. 2351

**BY** Senator McBurney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO VICTIMS ECONOMIC SECURITY AND SAFETY.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### TRANSFER OF BILLS

Senator Roberts from the Committee on Health and Human Services, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of transfer to the Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues

House Bill No. 8159

**BY** Watson

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- RHODE ISLAND LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE GUARANTY ASSOCIATION ACT.

Read and referred to the Committee on Financial Services, Technology & Regulatory Issues

#### FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A message from the House of Representatives transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measures:

House Bill No. 8038 SUB A as amended

**BY** Kilmartin, Menard

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- COMMUNITY ANTENNA TELEVISION SYSTEMS

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

House Bill No. 8526

BY Williams, Almeida, Slater

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF SONDRA'S TOTAL CONCEPT SALON, INC.

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

House Bill No. 7323 SUB A as amended

**BY** Kilmartin, Shanley

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- REGULATION OF VICIOUS DOGS

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues

Also:

House Bill No. 7711 SUB A as amended BY Fox, Moura, Anguilla, Corvese, Lima

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE RHODE ISLAND HUMAN RESOURCE INVESTMENT COUNCIL

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

House Bill No. 7664 as amended

**BY** Handy, Coderre E, Anderson R, Savage, Moffitt

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RIGHTS OF NURSING HOME PATIENTS

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 7282 SUB A
BY Trillo, Reilly, Malik, Brien T, Winfield
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SMALL EMPLOYER HEALTH INSURANCE

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 8524

BY Carter, Fox, Petrarca, McHugh

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Senator Paiva-Weed requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Paiva-Weed moves passage, seconded by Senator Ruggerio.

The resolution is read and passed, in concurrence, by unanimous consent, upon a voice vote.

Also:

House Bill No. 8534 (by request)

BY Senators Scott, Carter

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CITIES AND TOWNS - TAXATION - TOWN OF EXETER.

Senator Breene requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Breene moves passage, seconded by Senator Blais.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 26 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 26: Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Senate Bill No. 3121

**BY** Senators Walaska, DaPonte, Lenihan, Bates **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Financial, Technology and Regulatory Issues

Also:

## Senate Bill No. 3122

**BY** Senators Algiere, Paiva-Weed, Alves

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- NATIONAL SECURITY INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT FUND.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

## Senate Bill No. 3123

**BY** Senators Paiva-Weed, Walaska, DaPonte, Lenihan, Gibbs **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- DUTIES OF UTILITIES AND CARRIERS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Financial, Technology and Regulatory Issues

Also:

#### Senate Resolution No. 3124

**BY** Senators Pichardo, Roberts, Perry

**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE RHODE ISLAND HEALTH CENTER ASSOCIATION AND COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS FOR THEIR DEDICATION TO PROVIDING QUALITY HEALTH CARE FOR ALL RHODE ISLANDERS.

Senator Pichardo requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Pichardo moves passage, seconded by Senators Roberts, Parella and Issa.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a voice vote.

Also:

#### Senate Resolution No. 3125

BY Senators Cote, Badeau

**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF ARTHUR J. BELAIR.

Senator Cote requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Cote moves passage, seconded by Senator Badeau.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a rising vote.

Also:

#### Senate Resolution No. 3126

**BY** Senators Algiere, Blais, Breene, Gibbs, Parella **ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF HOPE L. HARRIS.

Senator Algiere requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Algiere moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a rising vote.

#### **CALENDAR**

## IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2004:

## 1. 2004-S 2308 as amended

**BY Cote** 

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- LAND SURVEYORS

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage as amended.

Upon suggestion of Senator Cote, and without objection, ordered to be recommitted to the Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government.

## 2. 2004-S 2725 as amended

**BY Ciccone** 

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES - ABANDONED CARS

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage as amended.

Upon suggestion of Senator Ciccone, and without objection ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Tuesday, May 25, 2004.

## 3. <u>2004-S 2791</u>

**BY Goodwin** 

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- TOWING STORAGE ACT

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Goodwin, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Tuesday, May 25, 2004.

#### 4. 2004-S 2497 SUB A

**BY Roberts** 

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Upon suggestion of Senator Roberts, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the desk.

#### 5. 2004-S 2760

**BY Goodwin** 

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO THE INDEBTEDNESS OF TOWNS AND CITIES

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Goodwin moves passage, seconded by Senators Paiva-Weed and Alves.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 25 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 25: Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Perry, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS-0:

#### 6. 2004-S 3085

BY Fogarty P

ENTITLED, AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL AND THE ACQUISITION OF LAND THEREFOR AND FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE PONAGANSET HIGH SCHOOLAND PONAGANSET MIDDLE SCHOOL BY THE FOSTER-GLOCESTER REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING THEREOF, INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF NOT MORE THAN \$45,720,000.00 IN BONDS THEREFOR

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Fogarty moves passage, seconded by Senators Issa and Blais.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 30 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 30: Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

#### 7. 2004-S 3086

BY Sosnowski

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO FINANCE CAPITAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$200,000 BONDS THEREFOR

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage, seconded by Senator Sheehan.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 29 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 29: Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Felag, Fogarty, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS-0:

#### 8. 2004-S 3087

BY Sosnowski

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR OPEN SPACE, RECREATION AND AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$2,000,000 BONDS THEREFOR

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage, seconded by Senator Sheehan.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 30 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 30: Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

## 9. 2004-S 3088

BY Sosnowski

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SCHOOL/COMMUNITY GYMNASIUM AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$1,550,000 BONDS THEREFOR

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage, seconded by Senator Sheehan.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 29 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 29: Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Felag, Fogarty, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS-0:

## 10. <u>2004-S 3089</u>

BY Fogarty P

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - MILL BUILDING AND ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION ACT

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Fogarty, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, May 27, 2004.

## 11. 2004-S 2825 SUB A as amended

**BY Polisena** 

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - - CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS -- ARBITRATORS

Committee on Labor recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A as amended.

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Wednesday, May 19, 2004.

#### 12. 2004-H 8451

**BY Williamson** 

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Committee on Finance recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Alves moves passage, seconded by Senator McBurney.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote with 28 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 28: Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, McBurney, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Perry, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

#### **GUESTS**

Upon suggestion of Senator Sosnowski and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President Pro Tempore welcomes to the Chamber Dr. Robert Ballard, Dr. Robert Carothers, President of the University of Rhode Island and Dr. David Farmer- Dean, Graduate School of Oceanography.

Dr. Ballard addresses the Senate.

Upon suggestion of Senators Pichardo, Roberts, Alves and Issa and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President Pro Tempore welcomes to the Chamber from the Rhode Island Health Center Association Board of Directors, Charlotte Taylor, Ray Lavoie, Gerald Lange, Louise Ornstein, Dennis Roy, William Hochstrasser-Walsh, Peter Bancroft, Merrill Thomas, Maria Montanaro, Joyce Heimbecker, Linda Dziobek, Ernie Balasco along with Stephanie McCaffrey, Laura Nocera and Marie Lazieh Gazhal.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Senator Tassoni announces that the Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government will meet on Wednesday, May 19, 2004, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 313 of the State House.

Senator Sheehan announces that the Committee on Health and Human Services will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 313 of the State House.

Senator Goodwin announces that the Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues will meet on Wednesday, May 19, 2004, at 3:00 o'clock P.M. in Room 211 of the State House.

Senator Ciccone announces that the Committee on Labor will meet on Wednesday, May 19, 2004, at 3:00 o'clock P.M. in Room 211 of the State House.

#### **TRANSMITTAL**

By unanimous consent, all matters on the Clerk's desk are ordered to be transmitted to His Excellency, the Governor or to the Honorable House of Representatives forthwith.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion of Senator Ruggerio, seconded by Senator Algiere, and upon suggestion of Senator Cote, the Senate adjourns at 4:45 o'clock P.M. in memory of Arthur J. Belair.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR. Secretary of the Senate

# Appendix

# **INVOCATION**

# **SENATOR ROGER R. BADEAU**

Lord, as we deliberate over the bills before us, grant us your wisdom and insight, and above all compassion. This we ask in your name. Amen.

## **Appendix**

#### **CALENDAR**

## IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 2004:

## 1. 2004-S 2825 SUB A as amended

**BY Polisena** 

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - - CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS -- ARBITRATORS

Committee on Labor recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A as amended.

## 2. <u>2004-S 2684 SUB A</u>

**BY Bates** 

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT

Committee on Financial, Technology, Regulatory recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

## 3. 2004-S 2019 SUB A as amended

**BY Blais** 

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT

Committee on Government Oversight recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A as amended.

## 4. 2004-S 2294 SUB A as amended

**BY Lanzi** 

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT AND FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY
REVIEW ACT

Committee on Government Oversight recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A as amended.

## 5. 2004-S 2320 SUB A

**BY Tassoni** 

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO THE RHODE ISLAND JUSTICE COMMISSION

Committee on Government Oversight recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

## 6. 2004-S 2917 SUB A as amended

BY Paiva-Weed

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- CODE OF ETHICS

Committee on Government Oversight recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A as amended.

## 7. 2004-H 8129 SUB A

BY Caprio D

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

## IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2004:

## 1. 2004-S 2527

**BY Connors** 

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS IN THE TOWN OF LINCOLN

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

## 2. 2004-S 2990

**BY Parella** 

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

#### 3. 2004-S 2991

BY Parella

ENTITLED, AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT EXEMPTING FROM TAXATION AND AUTHORIZING THE HERRESHOFF MARINE MUSEUM TO INCREASE ITS HOLDINGS FROM AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,600,000) TO AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING FOUR MILLION SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,600,000)

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

## 4. 2004-S 3030

**BY Felag** 

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

## 5. 2004-S 3031

**BY Revens** 

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

## 6. <u>2004-S 3043</u>

**BY Connors** 

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS - DOGS

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

## 7. 2004-S 3059

**BY Revens** 

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAX CREDIT IN THE CITY OF WARWICK

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

## 8. 2004-S 3060

**BY Fogarty P** 

ENTITLED, AN ACT EXEMPTING FROM TAXATION PROPERTY OF HARMONY HILL SCHOOL, INC. TO AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING TEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$10,000,000)

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

## 9. 2004-S 3065

BY Sheehan

ENTITLED, AN ACT NAMING THE LONG TERM CARE PROGRAM, AND ASSOCIATED HOSPITAL WARDS, LOCATED AT THE R.I. INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH AFTER DR. ANDO SUVARI

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

#### 10. 2004-S 3071

**BY Issa** 

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CENTRAL FALLS TO ISSUE BONDS AND NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000,000 FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO VARIOUS CITY BUILDINGS IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH THE RECENTLY REVISED STATE MANDATED BUILDING CODE REGULATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

#### 11. 2004-S 3083

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE BLOCK ISLAND HOUSING BOARD

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

## 12. <u>2004-S 3084</u>

**BY Felag** 

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CITIES AND TOWNS - WARREN

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

## 13. 2004-S 2351

**BY McBurney** 

ENTITLED. AN ACT RELATING TO VICTIMS ECONOMIC SECURITY AND **SAFETY** 

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

#### IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2004:

## 1. 2004-S 2725 as amended

**BY Ciccone** 

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES - ABANDONED CARS

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage as amended.

## 2. <u>2004-S 2791</u>

**BY Goodwin** 

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS --TOWING STORAGE ACT

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

## 3. <u>2004-S 2032 SUB A</u>

BY Blais

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN

Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

# 4. <u>2004-S 2051</u>

**BY Blais** 

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

## IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 27, 2004:

## 1. 2004-S 3089

BY Fogarty P

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - MILL BUILDING AND ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION ACT

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Raymond T. Hoyas, Jr. Secretary of the Senate